

## GOVERNOR HUNT MAKES SEVEN IMPORTANT REAPPOINTMENTS

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John Hennessy, Flagstaff, member board of education Northern Arizona Normal school, succeeding T. E. Pollock, Flagstaff, effective January 2.

Lou Charlevoix, Flagstaff, member sheep sanitary commission, succeeding John Hennessy, re-appointed to another board, effective January 1.

G. M. Willard, state game warden, vice Joe V. Prochaska, resigned, effective January 1.

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With the appointment yesterday of seven state officials the new administration advanced considerably further in the work of clearing the slate of Campbell office holders.

A new state fair commission was named, consisting of C. M. Layton of Safford; Judge Frank J. Duffy of Nogales and Cecil D. Boyce of Phoenix. There will take office on January 1 and will succeed S. F. McGuire of Douglas, W. B. Twitchell of Phoenix and O. D. M. Gaddis of Kingman. A secretary is to be selected. Thomas D. Shaugnessy being expected to resume his old position.

John Hennessy of Flagstaff, selected only the day before by Governor Hunt as a member of the sheep sanitary commission, was transferred, at his own request, to membership on the board of education of the Northern Arizona Normal school, succeeding T. E. Pollock, also of Flagstaff. This change will take place on January 2.

Lou Charlevoix of Flagstaff was named to replace Hennessy on the sheep sanitary commission.

The appointment of G. M. Willard of Cottonwood as state game warden to succeed Joe V. Prochaska was officially announced yesterday. This is Willard's old office under the previous Hunt administration.

Harry W. Rountree of Phoenix was appointed as state examiner and will succeed Aaron H. Powers of Flagstaff.

The new commission of state institutions met again yesterday and later issued a statement that the contract made between J. B. Lyman, Jr., consulting architect, and the retiring commission had, by mutual consent, been cancelled. The following letter was sent to Mr. Lyman:

December 28, 1917

John B. Lyman, Jr., Tucson, Arizona.

Dear Mr. Lyman:

Under a policy of retrenchment adopted by the commission of state institutions, we accept your kind offer to resign and to cancel the contract between yourself and the commission of state institutions under date of August 20, 1917, and therefore, to advise you that you may consider such offer accepted and the contract cancelled.

With reference to the payment of warrants previously drawn and approved by the former members of the commission and now unpaid, would say that upon the advice of the attorney general to the state auditor, we regret that we are forced to decide that the matter is one wherein the commission has no jurisdiction—that subject being one for the disposition of the attorney general and the state auditor, since the warrants were for amounts previously passed upon by the former commissioners. It would be presumptuous for this commission to dictate to the state auditor and the attorney general their duties.

This commission desires to thank you for the courteous manner displayed in the disposition of this matter and to assure you of our best wishes for your future success.

Trusting that this will prove to your entire satisfaction, we are,

Yours very truly,

COMMISSION OF STATE INSTITUTIONS.

With reference to pay for work al-

ready done by Mr. Lyman, for which warrants already have been issued and have been held up by State Auditor Boyce acting under the direction of Attorney General Wiley E. Jones that matter is out of the hands of the new commission, according to P. C. Struckmeyer, a member of the commission.

That matter is in the hands of the state auditor and the attorney general," stated Mr. Struckmeyer last night. "They have not said finally that they would not consent to the payment of the warrants," he added, "and it is not impossible that there will be some settlement of the matter outside of the courts."

Attorney General Jones, whose opinion on the matter promised several weeks ago is still forthcoming, would give no information on the subject yesterday.

The present commission apparently has taken an entirely different view of Mr. Lyman's position regarding the contract with the state as consulting architect for the commission.

Mr. Lyman states that he declared to the new commission at their first meeting a couple of days ago that, following the request of retiring Governor Campbell that the incoming appointees of Governor Hunt be not embarrassed or hindered in their taking over of the various departments, he would be guided therein, and that he said to the commission:

"If you will pay me up to January 1, 1918, I will cancel my contract."

Mr. Lyman claims that he did not say that he would resign, as he stated he has no resignation to make and that he holds, instead, a binding contract with the state and that unless he is paid as suggested, he will be obliged to start suit.

Contrary to the wording of the letter, Mr. Lyman declares that he has no intention of cancelling any part of his contract unless the proposition he made the commission is accepted.

Although more than two months have elapsed since Lyman's claims were held up, the attorney general has not yet passed in his opinion as to the legality of the contract, and it is stated by numerous attorneys that the attorney general will eventually uphold the validity of the contract.

R. E. Merritt designated as "Master Painter" and George G. Doyle, called "Master Plumber" were discharged by the new commission yesterday in what was designated as a "retrenchment policy." Messrs Doyle and Merritt were busy yesterday at Tempe checking over their work to Superintendent Vaughn, who has just been employed by the new commission. Doyle and Merritt state that the large part of their work has been completed.

Miss Ethel Wise, who for so many years was connected with the incorporating department of the corporation commission at the state capital but who has been associated with the Central bank, is returning to the service of the state, having been selected as assistant to Joe McBride, secretary of the commission of state institutions.

It was announced yesterday that the new state commission of institutions would retain the motor car purchased by the retiring commission and that this car would be used both by the commission and by the governor. When the car is in use by the commission, the governor would use his private car. This new car just purchased by Governor Hunt is a handsome Pierce-Arrow and created considerable interest and excited much admiration when it made its first appearance on the street yesterday. Harry Shea, chauffeur for Governor Hunt when the white car was in use, is once more chauffeur for the chief executive.

### ARCHIVES ARE HELD UP

[Republican A. P. Leased Wire] SANTIAGO, Chile, Dec. 29.—The Chilean government has declined to permit the Chilean ministers to Brazil, Ecuador, and Bolivia to take charge of the archives of the German legations in those countries.

## NEW PASTOR TO PREACH TODAY

Rev. J. Spencer Voorhees will preach his first sermon in this city at the First Congregational church this morning. Rev. Voorhees is the new pastor who has been called from La Jolla to take charge of the Phoenix church.

Both in education and experience, Rev. Voorhees is well fitted to perform his ministerial duties. He is a graduate of Princeton university and Andover Theological seminary, with a year's graduate study at the University of Edinburgh, Scotland. He organized the Congregational church at Huron, South Dakota, and at Telluride, Colorado, and has also served very successfully in some of the largest New England Congregational churches. Among them are those at Winchester, Connecticut, Boston, Adams and Lee, Mass. Mr. Voorhees was one of the organizers and vice-president of the New England Federation of Men's clubs, and during the Spanish-American war, he served as chaplain with the rank of captain.

About 12 years ago, Mr. Voorhees married Miss Elizabeth Warner, the old New England Coddington family. Mrs. Voorhees, who is a graduate of Smith college, is well fitted for the important position for minister's wife. They have one child, a daughter of six years.

For the past year and a half, Mr. Voorhees has been in charge of the Congregational church at La Jolla, but finding the Pacific coast climate congenial to the health of his family, welcomed the call to the church in this city.

Within a few weeks, work will begin on the new parish house which will be erected on the corner of East Willetts and North Second streets. The house will be furnished with new equipment. With the new church and equipment deal with Mr. Voorhees in charge, the members of the congregation hope to do much good in the community.

## UNIFICATION OF RAILWAYS PLAN OF SECRETARY M'ADDOO

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ent that the country never would revert to the old plan of private control. They even went so far as to predict very definitely that government ownership as well as control would be a development of only a few years.

This attitude of the railroad presidents gave special significance to the first official instructions of Director General McAdoo designated as "Order No. 1" telegraphed today to every railroad executive head. The order follows:

"1—All officers, agents and employees of such transportation systems may continue in the performance of their present regular duties, reporting to the same officers as heretofore and on the same terms of employment.

"2—Any officer, agent or employee desiring to retire from his employment shall give the usual and reasonable notice to the proper officer to the end that there may be no interruption or impairment of the transportation service required for designated as 'Order No. 1' telegraphed today to every railroad executive head. The order follows:

At the same time committee of public officials headed by Interstate Commerce Commissioner Harlan, meeting in New York, decided to put into effect a drastic plan of forcing companies to remove their freight promptly from terminals.

In all these preparations for clearing the channels of transportation, the minds of the men in charge seem to get coal to market, to relieve the suffering of householders in many sections where a cold wave is being felt, to provide fuel to make the wheels of war industries turn faster, or to release the ships now tied up in harbors for lack of bunker coal.

The labor situation presents one of the most perplexing problems with which the government has to deal, as a decision on it will of necessity present the government's general labor policy during the war which as yet has not been clearly defined. Those who have studied the situation believe that government officials responsible for a policy are for paying labor on a basis of the present cost of living and many are of the opinion that the government is about to take measures through its spreading control over the necessities of life to regulate in a more general way prices charged for commodities the people must use.

The brotherhood demands were presented to the managers' committee of the railroads December 1, and an answer was requested by December 31. The men asked that the wage increases be made effective January 1, but in a recent conference with President Wilson promised not to strike while the negotiations were pending. It appeared likely tonight that the brotherhoods might not press their demands for perhaps some time in the belief that in the present unsettled railroad situation their request for wage raises

## MRS. BANNISTER WILL CONTINUE NEAR DEATH IN FRIGHTFUL FORM

Bending over a tiny bath tub in front of an open gas stove, yesterday afternoon, while she bathed her little four-month-old son, Kimball, her mind upon her work and thinking only of the comfort and welfare of her little one, Mrs. Elizabeth Bannister, wife of Dr. Kimball Bannister, suddenly found her clothing in flames and her life menaced. Rushing from her home at 83 West Lynwood street, screaming as the flames penetrated her thin clothing and seared her back, legs and arms, she attracted the attention of the two sons of Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Kolberg, living next door, and they together with other neighbors succeeded in beating out the flames and saving the stricken woman's life.

As soon as she could be taken into the Kolberg home, Dr. Bannister was summoned and he brought Dr. R. W. Clark, with whom he is associated. The two gave such first aid as was possible and then caused the patient to be removed to St. Joseph's hospital. In the meantime Mrs. Kolberg hurried over to the Bannister home and found the little baby still in the bath tub and unharmed.

It seems that Mrs. Bannister in bathing the baby had set the tub near the stove in order that it might not chill. In moving about she stepped between the bathtub and the stove, her back to the latter. Her dress was swept into the open fire and an instant later was in flames. It is believed that only to her presence of mind in rushing from the house and giving an alarm is due the fact that she was not painfully burned. While her burns are necessarily very painful there is a belief on the part of the physicians that she will soon recover.

## MANY SAMPSON TRACTORS SOLD

Indicative of the growing popularity of the Sampson sieve-grip tractor is the shipment into the Salt River Valley during the month of December this year, of six carloads of the sturdy little power plants, with four tractors to the car. Official endorsement of the quality and value of the product is given in the purchase by the state asylum for the insane and by the United States government for the Indian school at Sacton, respectively, of one Sampson each.

Salt River Valley is given a tremendous boost in "Sampson Siftings," the illustrated magazine issued by the company. Several pages of the magazine are devoted to the valley, and featured in the article are halftone photographs presenting scenes at the state fair demonstrations and points of interest in the vicinity of Phoenix.

On account of its many sales of Sampson tractors, the W. H. Whyman Machinery company of Phoenix, also occupies a prominent position in the pamphlet.

would meet a better response at a later time.

Creation of a government corporation for handling railroad securities and for financing the purchase of railway equipment is the best plan, officials believe, for handling this end of the financial situation. The government financial system, it is held, is too cumbersome. Under the scheme proposed the railroad would submit to the corporation all refunding issues for approval as well as all new issues of securities. The corporation then would buy them in and hold them for sale to the public at a convenient time.

GO TO HOSPITAL—After the ceremonies at Greenwood cemetery Friday of the burial of little Portia Christy, five-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles B. Christy, Mrs. Christy and her daughter Charlyon were taken direct to the Sisters' hospital, where they will remain for a week's care and rest.

INSTALLATION—Installation of recently elected officers, an important business session and a grand hall has been arranged by the Spanish-American Alliance, Lodge No. 9, this evening at Patrick's hall. The lodge work will begin at 8:30 o'clock and the school features will follow immediately upon the termination of official business. Music will be furnished by the five-piece orchestra of Professor Lopez.

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TOWN TOPICS

TWO AUTOS CRASH—Two Dodge cars, one driven by Frank Daly, of Mesa, license No. 17682, the other driven by Martin Herlick, 815 West Van Buren street, license No. 12051, came together at Central avenue and Van Buren street about 9 o'clock last evening. Both cars were considerably damaged, that of Herlick losing a running board and having the frame bent; that of Daly losing a headlight, two front fenders and a damaged running board. Herlick and other witnesses say that Daly was driving across the avenue at a higher rate of speed than usual, and that he was unable to avoid striking the Herlick car which was proceeding north and was well into the intersection. Herlick endeavored to turn west and avoid a collision. To this quick move is probably due the fact that none was hurt and that the damage was not more extensive.

SPECIAL NEW YEAR'S DANCE—The Woodman Circle which gives regular weekly dances each Wednesday evening, will this week give in addition to the Wednesday evening affair, a special New Year's dance on Tuesday evening. This dance, as are the others, will be held in Patrick's Hall. Special arrangements are being made to make this dance more than usually enjoyable. Besse's orchestra will have a special program.

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